



Order 96-3-50

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

Issued by the Department of Transportation
on the 21st day of March, 1996

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In re:

SECURITY OF AIRCRAFT AND
SAFETY OF PASSENGERS
TRANSITING ATHENS, GREECE

ORDER REQUIRING NOTICE

Under 49 U.S.C. section 44907(d), I find that Hellenikon International Airport, Athens, Greece, does not maintain and carry out effective security measures. This determination is based on Federal Aviation Administration assessments that reveal security measures used at the airport do not meet the standards established by the International Civil Aviation Organization.

Subsection (d)(1)(B) of 49 U.S.C. 44907 requires all air carriers and foreign air carriers providing service between the United States and Hellenikon International Airport to provide notice of my determination to any passenger purchasing a ticket after the effective date of this order for transportation between the United States and Hellenikon International Airport, with such notice to be made by written material included on or with such ticket. Agents of such U.S. and foreign air carriers issuing U.S.-Athens tickets are also required to provide this notice. However, if an agent fails to do so, a carrier may carry the passenger if it provides the notice prior to boarding. I direct that the measures directed in this order be effective immediately.

The Department has decided that the following language, if provided to passengers in written material to be included on or with any U.S.-Athens ticket they may purchase, will meet the obligation to provide notice.

The United States Secretary of Transportation has determined that

Hellenikon International Airport, Athens, Greece, does not maintain and carry out effective airport security measures.

This model language is provided solely for the guidance of carriers and their agents and does not bind them in any way. Carriers are also free to provide such additional information as they desire.

I am further directing that my determination be published in the Federal Register and that it be displayed prominently at all airports in the United States regularly being served by scheduled air carrier operations.

ACCORDINGLY:

1. The U.S. and foreign air carriers named on the attached service list providing service between the United States and Hellenikon International Airport, Athens, Greece, are notified of their obligation under 49 U.S.C. subsection 44907(d)(1)(B) to provide to any passenger purchasing a U.S.-Athens ticket after the effective date of this order, written notice of my determination that Hellenikon International Airport, Athens, Greece does not maintain and carry out effective security measures;
2. This order shall be effective immediately; and
3. Copies of this order shall be served on the carriers and associations on the attached service list.

Federico Peña
Secretary of Transportation

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